

Subject matter for 12-hour Dwelling Contractor Qualifier courses

Acceptable subject matter courses will be broken down into two areas: 1. Construction laws/construction business practices, and; 2. Construction codes. At least one-third of the subject matter identified in the education approval request shall cover subject matters in construction law/business practices and at least one-third in construction codes. The other one-third is the option of the course provider.

The course approval application is online, <http://commerce.wi.gov/SBdocs/SB-FormEdCourseApp9156.pdf>. For more information, contact Tom Kasper, Safety and Buildings Division dwelling contractor section chief tom.kasper@wi.gov, or Larry Swaziek, Safety and Buildings Division dwelling contractor program manager, larry.swaziek@wi.gov.

Examples of qualifying subject matter relating to construction laws and construction business practices:

Contract law; Wisconsin Home Improvement Trade Practices Code
Land use regulations; Licensure requirements
Lead and asbestos awareness;
Occupational Safety and Health Administration requirements
Worker's compensation; Unemployment compensation
Right to Cure Law; Tax requirements
Lien law; Manufacturers' warranties and operating manuals
Construction waste disposal and recycling; Construction loans
Error and omissions insurance; Liability insurance
Performance bonds; Apprenticeships

Examples of qualifying subject matter relating to construction codes:

- Applicable Wisconsin building codes
- Applicable municipal building codes
- UDC administrative and enforcement provisions
- Erosion control - DNR/Commerce
- Stormwater management

Note: In accordance with Comm 5.315 (2) (c) 1., these courses shall include one or more tests on the subject matter developed by the courses provider. In addition, in accordance with the instructions on the back of the educational course application, correspondence and Internet courses are required to provide a minimum number of questions per hour and 70% passing score.